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Charles L.A. Terreni, Esquire Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

Re:

Application of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of Rates and Charges and Modifications to Certain Terms and

Conditions for the Provision of Water and Sewer Service

Docket No. 2005-217-WS

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed this matter and has no objections to the proposed pass-through increase, consistent with Utility Services of South Carolina, Inc.'s ("USSC's") approved tariff, as a result of the City of West Columbia's increase to its bulk water rate it will bill USSC.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Shannon Bowyer Hudson

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cc: John M.S. Hoefer, Esquire